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December 12, 2003

Muhaned Aljabiry, Senior Transportation Engineer
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Dear Mr. Aljabiry: **Subject: Amendment #27 (Administrative Amendment) to the FY 2002/03 thru 2007/08 Council of Fresno County Government's FTIP**

On December 11, 2003, the Council of Fresno County Governments Policy Board formally approved Amendment #27 (Administrative Amendment) to the *FY 2002/03 through 2007/08 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)*. Amendment #27 adjusts the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) by advancing funding a single year from FFY 2004/05 to 2003/04 for the City of Clovis' lump-sum widening narrow pavement and construction of median islands for safety purposes project.

It should be noted that this project does not require a re-determination of the air quality conformity analysis. Attached are copies of the Board's Resolution and amendment. We've also attached a copy of the annotated staff report for your reference.

You should be aware that as per Fresno COG's adopted *Policies and Procedures*, Administrative Amendments are to be used whenever "minor" changes related to project costs, selection, or programming occurs. The projects being adjusted meet these criteria. Administrative Amendments are used in lieu of standard FTIP Amendments, and as such, are not subject to Federal and State approval. The purpose of this letter is to notify Caltrans, the Federal Highway Administration, and Federal Transit Administration that this Administrative Amendment has taken place. We have updated the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS) to reflect this amendment. If you should have any questions or comments, please feel free to call me or Tony Boren at (559) 233-4148.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Ballantyne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

RICK BALLANTYNE, Planning Coordinator
Council of Fresno County Governments

Attachments (4 Copies to Caltrans, Division of Programming)

cc:

Doug Ito, California Air Resources Board
Tom Jordan, SJVUAPCD
Leigh Levine, Federal Highway Administration
Bob O'Loughlin, Federal Highway Administration
Paul Page, Federal Transit Administration
Mark Brucker, Environmental Protection Agency
Executive Directors, Valley COGs

Karina O'Connor, EPA
D. Alan McCuen, Caltrans District 06
Mark Birnbaum, Caltrans District 06
Steve Curti, Caltrans District 06
Marvin Johnson, Caltrans District 06
Renee Mathis, City of Clovis
Steven E. White, City of Clovis

Member Agencies: The cities of Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fowler, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin, Sanger, Selma & Fresno County

E. FY 2002-03 thru 2007-08 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment #27, (Administrative Amendment), Resolution 2003-59, PUBLIC HEARING: 12-11-2003

Summary: The City of Clovis desires to adjust the *Regional Surface Transportation Program* (RSTP) by advancing preliminary engineering and construction funding for their Nees Avenue road-widening project (Armstrong Avenue to the Enterprise Canal) from 2004/05 to 2003/04. The City has indicated that this project has progressed faster than had been originally anticipated. Obligating these funds during 2003/04 will help the Fresno Region meet this year's AB 1012 "Use It Or Lose It" goal, thus avoiding potential loss of federal funding.

Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Procedures would allow consideration of this amendment as an "Administrative" Amendment under the following criteria:

Changes in project scheduling and funding may be permitted within the current FTIP triennial cycle. Moving a project from "beyond years or outside the current triennial element to the current FTIP cycle or vice versa requires a formal amendment.

This request will not result in any additional federal funding being required. [BALLANTYNE]

Action: Staff recommends approval of FTIP Amendment #27 (Administrative Amendment) by adopting Resolution 2003-59.

BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF FRESNO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION NO. 2003-59

In the Matter of:)

FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION)
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM)
2002-03 - 2007-08)

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE
2002-03 FTIP, AMENDMENT #27
(ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENT)
AMENDS RSTP PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG) is the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Fresno County Region; and

WHEREAS, the **2002-03 through 2007-08 Federal Transportation Improvement Program** has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment adjusts funding for the City of Clovis to adjust the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) by advancing preliminary engineering and construction funding for their Nees Avenue road-widening project (Armstrong Avenue to the Entrprise Canal from 2004-05 to 2003-04.

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has provided guidance that projects submitted in the TIP be demonstrated as reasonable requests when compared to available funding and we can affirm that funding is available; and

WHEREAS, the COFCG process for TIP project selection is currently serving as the MPO's formal Project Selection Process as required under TEA 21 and is consistent with the outlined guidance; and

WHEREAS, this Amendment has been through a public participation process by being circulated and reviewed by the Council of Fresno County Governments' member agencies representing their technical and management staffs; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Fresno County; and

WHEREAS, the project contained in this amendment does not require a re-determination of the air quality conformity analysis.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of Fresno County Governments hereby amends the **2002-03 through 2007-08 Federal Transportation Improvement Program** reflecting the projects shown in the attached exhibit.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted by the Council of Fresno County Governments this 11th day of December, 2003.

AYES: Clovis, Coalinga, Firebaugh, Fresno, Huron, Kerman, Kingsburg, Mendota, Orange Cove, Parlier, Reedley, San Joaquin,
Sanger, Selma & Fresno County
None

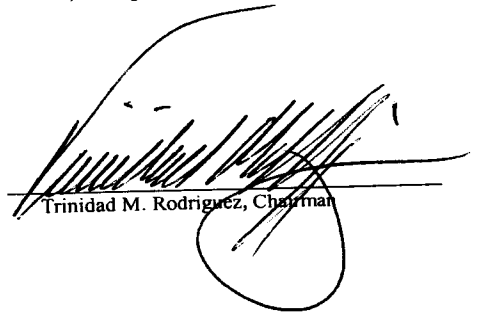
NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Fowler

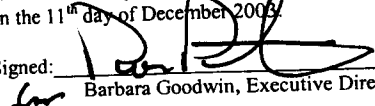
ATTEST:

Signed:


Trinidad M. Rodriguez, Chairman

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the Council of Fresno County Governments duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the 11th day of December 2003.

Signed:


Barbara Goodwin, Executive Director



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September 15, 2003

Mr. Rick Ballantyne
Council Of Fresno County Governments
2100 Tulare Street, Suite 619
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Dear Rick,

FTIP "Administrative Amendment"

The City of Clovis would like to advance programmed STP Lifeline design and construction funds for its Nees Avenue street-widening project, located between Armstrong Avenue and the Enterprise Canal. This request is a result of the City's ability to commence design activities on this project immediately, with the intent of encumbering construction funds prior to the close of the 03/04 Federal Fiscal Year.

The STP Lifeline Program would be advancing a total of \$478,600 from Federal Fiscal Year 04/05 to Federal Fiscal Year 03/04. This change in scheduling falls within the current FTIP triennial cycle.

If you have any questions regarding this request please call me at (559) 324-2351.

Sincerely,

STEVEN E. WHITE
CITY ENGINEER

Renee Mathis
Management Analyst

**Council of Fresno County Governments 2002 Federal Transportation Improvement Program
San Joaquin Format (Specific Amendment) Number: 2002**

Regional Surface Transportation Program

Route Postmile PIN State/Fed ID Fund AQ Lead	Description	Phase	Program Schedule (Construction costs escalated per Caltrans percentage)				Change Description Project Comments		
			Triennial Element				Funding Summary (Current & Prior Years)		
			02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	
	Total Escalated Cost								
	Status								
FRE020604	In Clovis - Lump-Sum Widening of Narrow Pavement and Construction of Median Islands For Safety (No Additional Travel Lanes)	PE RW Const.		20,000		20,000			
STPLUAGENCY				458,600		458,600			
1.16	\$957,200								
Clovis, City of	27.00 FTIP Amend.	Total		478,600		478,600			
			Cost/Scope/Sch. Change (Sched. Adv.)						
		 Version 3 - 12/11/2003 Version 2 - 06/12/2002 Version 1 - 05/23/2002 Amendment #23 Programs Lifeline Funds for Member Agency FTIP Amendment #27 (Administrative Amendment) Advances PE and Construction						
			Prior						
			Current						
			109,800						
			847,400						